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GENEVA FOR WISNER

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PFOR, RH, UK

SUBJECT: BRITISH PRESS ON GENEVA TALKS, DECEMBER 8

1. PRESS COVERAGE OF THE GENEVA CONFERENCE IS LIGHT

BUT CONTRADICTORY.

2. TIMES CORRESPONDENT MICHAEL KNIPE IN SALISBURY: "MR.

IAN SMITH...GAVE THE IMPRESSION (YESTERDAY), BEFORE  
FLYING BACK TO THE GENEVA CONFERENCE..., THAT HE MIGHT  
BE PREPARED TO SOFTEN SOMEWHAT HIS HARDLINE INSISTENCE  
THAT THERE COULD BE NO DEVIATION FROM THE ANGLO-  
AMERICAN PLAN FOR INDEPENDENCE, DEVISED BY DR. KISSINGER.  
... SIGNIFICANTLY, AND IN CONTRAST TO HIS EARLIER  
STANDS, HE HEDGED WHEN ASKED WHETHER HIS POSITION WAS  
STILL THAT THE KISSINGER PLAN WAS NON-NEGOTIABLE."

3. DAILY TELEGRAPH CORRESPONDENT DAVID ADAMSON IN

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GENEVA: "IF, AS EXPECTED, (SMITH) STICKS TO THE 'ANGLO-

AMERICAN PROPOSALS', THE BIGGEST AND MOST DANGEROUS CON-  
FRONTATION SO FAR AT THE CONFERENCE IS LIKELY."

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